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The Survey Health Status and Functioning file includes data about the sample person's health including height and weight, self-assessments of vision and hearing, history of medical conditions, functioning, among others.

From 1991 through 1996, this file contained one record for each person who completed an interview whether in the community or facility. This changed in 1997 when the facility instrument was converted to a Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing format. Since then, this file contains data from community interviews only; RIC 2F contains similar data from facility interviews.

RIC	1	2					C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1					C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT				C Unique SP Identification Number

17,786 LOW-HIGH BASEID Count

GENHELTH	12	2	GENHFMT	HS1	C1	N General hlth compare to others same age
			3			-9 Not ascertained
			30			-8 Don't know
			2			-7 Refused
			2,724			1 Excellent
			4,276			2 Very good
			5,458			3 Good
			3,579			4 Fair
			1,714			5 Poor

COMPHLTH	14	3	COMPFMT	HS1a		N Health compared to one year ago
			1,277			. Missing
			2			-9 Not ascertained
			11			-8 Don't know
			2			-7 Refused
			821			1 Much better
			1,836			2 Somewhat better
			10,228			3 About the same
			2,951			4 Somewhat worse
			658			5 Much worse

Note: First available in 1996

HELMTACT	17	2	TIMEFMT	HS2	C2	N Health limits social activity in past mo
			3			-9 Not ascertained
			18			-8 Don't know
			2			-7 Refused
			11,213			1 None of the time
			3,650			2 Some of the time
			1,748			3 Most of the time
			1,152			4 All of the time

ECHELP	19	2	BLNDFMT	HS3	C3	N SP wear eyeglasses/contact lenses
			4			-9 Not ascertained
			1			-8 Don't know
			15,167			1 Yes
			2,466			2 No
			148			3 Blind

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ECTROUB	21	2	LOOKFMT		HS4	C4	N Description of SP vision
				150			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				80			-8 Don't know
				10,325			1 No trouble
				5,493			2 Little trouble
				1,735			3 Lot of trouble
Note: Applies only if ECHELP = 1 or 2							
EYEEXAM	23	3	YES1FMT		HS4a		N SP had eye exam within past yr
				1,396			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				86			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				9,032			1 Yes
				7,269			2 No
Notes: Applies only if EYEEXAM = 2 First available in 1996							
LASTEXAM	26	3	LASTFMT		HS4b		N How long since last eye exam
				10,517			. Inapplicable
				143			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				253			1 Never had an eye exam
				2,995			2 1 year to less than 2 years
				2,606			3 2 years to less than 5 years
				1,271			4 5 years or more
Notes: Applies only if EYEEXAM = 2 First available in 1996							
ECCATOP	29	2	YES1FMT		HS5	C5	N SP ever had operation for cataracts
				124			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				84			-8 Don't know
				3,625			1 Yes
				13,952			2 No
Note: Applies to new panel SPs who are not blind; in 2002, asked of blind also							
HCHELP	31	2	DEAFFMT		HS6	C6	N Does SP use hearing aid
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				1,880			1 Yes
				15,840			2 No
				54			3 Deaf

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HCTROUB	33	2	LOOKFMT		HS7	C7	N Description of SP hearing
				56			. Inapplicable
				11			-9 Not ascertained
				28			-8 Don't know
				10,295			1 No trouble
				6,012			2 Little trouble
				1,384			3 Lot of trouble

Note: Applies only if HCHELP = 1 or 2

DCTROUB	35	2	YES2FMT		HS8	C8	N Diff eating solid foods b/c teeth prob
				14			-9 Not ascertained
				8			-8 Don't know
				2,414			1 Yes
				15,350			2 No

HEIGHTFT	37	2	HEITFMT		HS9	C9	N Height of SP--feet
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				58			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				17,724			Height in feet

HEIGHTIN	39	2	INCHFMT		HS9	C9	N Height of SP--inches
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				130			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				17,653			0-11 Inch portion of height

WEIGHT	41	3	WEITFMT		HS10	C10	N Weight of SP in pounds
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				143			-8 Don't know
				44			-7 Refused
				5			0-50 0-50 Pounds
				625			51-100 51-100 Pounds
				7,542			101-150 101-150 Pounds
				7,441			151-200 151-200 Pounds
				1,695			201-250 201-250 Pounds
				232			251-300 251-300 Pounds
				44			301-350 301-350 Pounds
				9			351-400 351-400 Pounds
				4			Over 400 Pounds

MAMMOGRM	44	2	YES1FMT		HS11	C11	N Had mammogram/breast X-ray since last yr
				7,683			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				140			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				3,807			1 Yes
				6,152			2 No

Note: Inapplicable if SP is male

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FLUPRVNT	61	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c didn't think prevent flu
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				695			1 Indicated
				5,625			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLURISK	64	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c of risk of catching flu
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				433			1 Indicated
				5,887			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUDOCNO	67	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c Dr didn't recommend it
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				400			1 Indicated
				5,920			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUAGNST	70	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c Dr against/allergic to
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				332			1 Indicated
				5,988			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUREACT	73	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c don't like shots/needles
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				407			1 Indicated
				5,913			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLULOCAT	76	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c unable get to location
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				169			1 Indicated
				6,151			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
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FLUMISS	79	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c missed, forgot, etc.
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				867			1 Indicated
				5,453			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUCOST	82	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c shot not worth cost
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				42			1 Indicated
				6,278			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUBEFOR	85	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c had before/no need again
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				47			1 Indicated
				6,273			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
FLUOTHER	88	3	IND1FMT		HS14a		N No flu shot b/c other reason
				11,411			. Inapplicable
				55			-8 Don't know
				386			1 Indicated
				5,934			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if RIC2, FLUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
PNEUSHOT	91	2	YES2FMT		HS15	C15	N SP ever have shot for pneumonia
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				409			-8 Don't know
				7,480			1 Yes
				9,895			2 No
PNUNEEED	93	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c didn't know was needed
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				5,484			1 Indicated
				3,309			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2			
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PNUCAUSE	96	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c could cause pneumonia
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				272			1 Indicated
				8,521			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
PNUSIDE	99	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c could have side effects
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				218			1 Indicated
				8,575			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
PNUPRVNT	102	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c no think prevent pneu.
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				383			1 Indicated
				8,410			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
PNURISK	105	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c not at risk of catching
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				399			1 Indicated
				8,394			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
PNUDOCNO	108	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c Dr didn't recommend it
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				1,215			1 Indicated
				7,578			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2			
				First available in 1996			
PNUAGNST	111	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c Dr against/allergic to
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				97			1 Indicated
				8,696			2 Not indicated
				Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2			
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PNUREACT	114	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c dont like shots/needles
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				293			1 Indicated
				8,500			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
PNULOCAT	117	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c unable get to location
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				60			1 Indicated
				8,733			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
PNUMISS	120	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c missed, forgot, etc.
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				938			1 Indicated
				7,855			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
PNUCOST	123	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c shot not worth cost
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				32			1 Indicated
				8,761			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
PNUOTHER	126	3	IND1FMT		HS15a		N No pneu shot b/c other reason
				8,867			. Inapplicable
				126			-8 Don't know
				243			1 Indicated
				8,550			2 Not indicated
Notes: Applies only if PNEUSHOT = 2 First available in 1996							
EVERSMOK	129	2	YES2FMT		HS16	C16	N SP ever smoked cigarettes/cigars/tobacco
				114			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				9,980			1 Yes
				7,691			2 No

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SMOKNOW	131	2	YES1FMT		HS17	C17	N Does SP smoke now?
				7,858			. Inapplicable
				11			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				2,664			1 Yes
				7,249			2 No
Note: Inapplicable if EVERSMOK = 2							
DIFSTOOP	133	2	DIF2FMT		HS18	C18	N Difficulty stooping/crouching/kneeling
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				8			-8 Don't know
				5,317			1 No Difficulty
				3,713			2 Little Difficulty
				2,875			3 Some Difficulty
				3,224			4 Lot of Difficulty
				2,647			5 Unable to do it
DIFLIFT	135	2	DIF2FMT		HS19	C19	N Difficulty lifting/carrying 10 pounds
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				33			-8 Don't know
				9,970			1 No Difficulty
				2,213			2 Little Difficulty
				1,542			3 Some Difficulty
				1,521			4 Lot of Difficulty
				2,505			5 Unable to do it
DIFREACH	137	2	DIF2FMT		HS20	C20	N Difficulty extending arms above shoulder
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				15			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				12,114			1 No Difficulty
				2,141			2 Little Difficulty
				1,606			3 Some Difficulty
				1,153			4 Lot of Difficulty
				753			5 Unable to do it
DIFWRITE	139	2	DIF2FMT		HS21	C21	N Difficulty writing/handling object
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				10			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				12,224			1 No Difficulty
				2,523			2 Little Difficulty
				1,567			3 Some Difficulty
				1,034			4 Lot of Difficulty
				425			5 Unable to do it
DIFWALK	141	2	DIF2FMT		HS22	C22	N Difficulty walking 1/4 mi. or 2-3 blocks
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				20			-8 Don't know
				8,906			1 No Difficulty
				1,933			2 Little Difficulty
				1,652			3 Some Difficulty
				1,712			4 Lot of Difficulty
				3,561			5 Unable to do it

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OCARTERY	143	2	YES2FMT		HS23a	C23a	N Ever told had hardening of arteries
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				54			-8 Don't know
				2,214			1 Yes
				15,517			2 No
OCHBP	145	2	YES2FMT		HS23b	C23b	N Ever told had hypertension/hi blood pres
				24			-8 Don't know
				9,016			1 Yes
				8,746			2 No
OCMYOCAR	147	2	YES2FMT		HS23c	C23c	N Ever told had myocard infarct/hrt attack
				28			-8 Don't know
				2,534			1 Yes
				15,224			2 No
OCCHD	149	2	YES2FMT		HS23d	C23d	N Ever told had angina pectoris/chd
				49			-8 Don't know
				2,664			1 Yes
				15,073			2 No
OCOTHART	151	2	YES2FMT		HS23e	C23e	N Ever told had other heart conditions
				44			-8 Don't know
				4,947			1 Yes
				12,795			2 No
OCSTROKE	153	2	YES2FMT		HS23f	C23f	N Ever told had stroke/brain hemorrhage
				20			-8 Don't know
				2,234			1 Yes
				15,532			2 No
OCCSKIN	155	2	YES2FMT		HS23g	C23g	N Ever told had new skin cancer
				17			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,766			1 Yes
				15,002			2 No
OCCANCER	157	2	YES2FMT		HS23h	C23h	N Ever told had other (non-skin) cancer
				20			-8 Don't know
				2,976			1 Yes
				14,790			2 No
OCCLUNG	159	2	YES1FMT		HS23i	C23i	N Body part w/cancer--lung
				14,810			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				118			1 Yes
				2,852			2 No

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OCCCOLON	161	2	YES1FMT		HS23i	C23i	N Body prt w/cancer--colon/bowel/rectum
				14,810			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				421			1 Yes
				2,549			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCBREST	163	2	YES1FMT		HS23i	C23i	N Body part w/cancer--breast
				14,810			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				691			1 Yes
				2,279			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCUTER	165	2	YES1FMT		HS23i	C23i	N Body part w/cancer--uterus
				14,810			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				328			1 Yes
				2,642			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCPROST	167	2	YES1FMT		HS23i	C23i	N Body part w/cancer--prostate
				14,810			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				488			1 Yes
				2,482			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCBLAD	169	2	YES1FMT		HS23i	C23i	N Body part w/cancer--bladder
				14,810			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				153			1 Yes
				2,817			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			
OCCOVARY	171	2	YES1FMT		HS23i	C23i	N Body part w/cancer--ovary
				14,810			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				133			1 Yes
				2,837			2 No
				Note: Applies only if OCCANCER = 1			

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OCAFEET	199	2	YES1FMT		HS23m	C23m	N Body part w/arthritis-hip/knee/feet/leg
				8,759			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				6			-8 Don't know
				5,089			1 Yes
				3,930			2 No
Note: Applies only if OCARTH = 1							
OCABACK	201	2	YES1FMT		HS23m	C23m	N Body part w/had arthritis-back
				8,759			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				6			-8 Don't know
				2,614			1 Yes
				6,405			2 No
Note: Applies only if OCARTH = 1							
OCANECK	203	2	YES1FMT		HS23m	C23m	N Body part w/arthritis-neck
				8,759			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				1,001			1 Yes
				8,020			2 No
Note: Applies only if OCARTH = 1							
OCAALOVR	205	2	YES1FMT		HS23m	C23m	N Body part w/arthritis-all over/joints
				8,759			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				1,489			1 Yes
				7,532			2 No
Note: Applies only if OCARTH = 1							
OCAOTHER	207	2	YES1FMT		HS23m	C23m	N Body part w/arthritis-other
				8,759			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				6			-8 Don't know
				67			1 Yes
				8,952			2 No
Note: Applies only if OCARTH = 1							
OCMENTAL	209	2	YES2FMT		HS23n	C23n	N Ever told had mental retardation
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				18			-8 Don't know
				2			-7 Refused
				559			1 Yes
				17,206			2 No

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OCALZHMR	211	2	YES2FMT		HS23o	C23o	N Ever told had Alzheimer's/dementia
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				9			-8 Don't know
				952			1 Yes
				16,824			2 No
OCPSYCH	213	2	YES2FMT		HS23p	C23p	N Ever told had mental/psychiatric disord
				16			-8 Don't know
				1,683			1 Yes
				16,087			2 No
OCOSTEOP	215	2	YES2FMT		HS23q	C23q	N Ever told had osteoporosis/soft bones
				37			-8 Don't know
				1,889			1 Yes
				15,860			2 No
OCBRKHIP	217	2	YES2FMT		HS23r	C23r	N Ever told had broken hip
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				11			-8 Don't know
				1,005			1 Yes
				16,769			2 No
OCPARKIN	219	2	YES2FMT		HS23s	C23s	N Ever told had Parkinson's disease
				11			-8 Don't know
				305			1 Yes
				17,470			2 No
OCEMPHYS	221	2	YES2FMT		HS23t	C23t	N Ever told had emphysema/asthma/COPD
				14			-8 Don't know
				2,546			1 Yes
				15,226			2 No
OCPPARAL	223	2	YES2FMT		HS23u	C23u	N Ever told had complete/partial paralysis
				9			-8 Don't know
				1,183			1 Yes
				16,594			2 No
OCAMPUTE	225	2	YES2FMT		HS23v	C23v	N Ever lost an arm or leg
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				191			1 Yes
				17,587			2 No

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EMCAUSC1	227	2	CAUSFMT		HS25	C26	N 1st cause of Medicare eligibility
				14,990			. Inapplicable
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				13			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				214			1 Back/spine/disc
				62			2 Severe eyesight loss
				26			3 Severe hearing loss
				59			4 Kidney/renal failure
				46			5 Seizure disorder
				54			6 Car/bike/train accident
				37			7 Multiple sclerosis
				11			8 Muscular dystrophy
				12			9 Cerebral palsy
				15			10 Broken bones
				35			11 Hardening of the arteries
				107			12 High blood pressure
				79			13 Myocardial infarction
				47			14 Angina pectoris
				44			15 Other heart condition
				101			16 Stroke
				3			17 New occurrence of skin cancer
				62			18 Cancer or tumor
				51			19 Diabetes
				99			20 Rheumatoid arthritis
				99			21 Other arthritis
				386			22 Mental retardation
				5			23 Alzheimer's disease
				522			24 Mental disorder
				13			25 Osteoporosis
				18			26 Broken hip
				2			27 Parkinson's disease
				59			28 Emphysema or asthma
				94			29 Partial paralysis
				10			30 Loss of limb
				0			31 Cong heart failure
				0			32 Probs w/ hrt valves
				0			33 Heartbeat rhythm
				0			65 Gained entitlement at 65
				406			91 Other

Note: Applies if SP is under age 65 at the time of the initial MCBS interview

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EMCAUSC2	229	2	CAUSFMT	HS25	C26		N 2nd cause of Medicare eligibility
				17,357			. Inapplicable
				12			1 Back/spine/disc
				3			2 Severe eyesight loss
				4			3 Severe hearing loss
				2			4 Kidney/renal failure
				1			5 Seizure disorder
				4			6 Car/bike/train accident
				0			7 Multiple sclerosis
				1			8 Muscular dystrophy
				0			9 Cerebral palsy
				3			10 Broken bones
				0			11 Hardening of the arteries
				12			12 High blood pressure
				18			13 Myocardial infarction
				28			14 Angina pectoris
				30			15 Other heart condition
				14			16 Stroke
				1			17 New occurrence of skin cancer
				3			18 Cancer or tumor
				30			19 Diabetes
				5			20 Rheumatoid arthritis
				35			21 Other arthritis
				13			22 Mental retardation
				1			23 Alzheimer's disease
				81			24 Mental disorder
				8			25 Osteoporosis
				3			26 Broken hip
				1			27 Parkinson's disease
				28			28 Emphysema or asthma
				36			29 Partial paralysis
				2			30 Loss of limb
				0			31 Cong heart failure
				0			32 Probs w/ hrt valves
				0			33 Heartbeat rhythm
				0			65 Gained entitlement at 65
				50			91 Other

Note: Applies only if SP has more than one cause for Medicare eligibility

PRBTELE	231	2	ADL2FMT	HS27a	C27(1)		N Any difficulty using telephone
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,565			1 Yes
				15,443			2 No
				772			3 Doesn't Do
PRBLHWK	233	2	ADL2FMT	HS27b			N Any difficulty doing light housework
				1,277			. Missing
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1,498			1 Yes
				13,446			2 No
				1,560			3 Doesn't Do

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Note: Applies only if PRBHHWK = 1 or DONTTHWK = 1

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HELPMEAL	261	2	YES1FMT		HS29d		N Receives help w/ preparing meals
				15,700			. Inapplicable
				1,759			1 Yes
				327			2 No
Note: Applies only if PRBMEAL = 1 or DONTMEAL = 1							
HELPSHOP	263	2	YES1FMT		HS29e	C29(2)	N Receives help w/ shopping
				13,678			. Inapplicable
				32			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				3,689			1 Yes
				384			2 No
Note: Applies only if PRBSHOP = 1 or DONTSHOP = 1							
HELPBILS	265	2	YES1FMT		HS29f	C29(3)	N Receives help w/ managing money
				14,799			. Inapplicable
				36			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				2,717			1 Yes
				232			2 No
Note: Applies only if PRBBILS = 1 or DONTBILS = 1							
HPDPBATH	267	2	ADL2FMT		HS31a	C30(1)	N Any difficulty bathing/showering
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				3,181			1 Yes
				14,370			2 No
				227			3 Doesn't Do
HPDDRES	269	2	ADL2FMT		HS31b	C30(2)	N Any difficulty dressing
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				5			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				2,271			1 Yes
				15,323			2 No
				184			3 Doesn't Do
HPDEAT	271	2	ADL2FMT		HS31c	C30(3)	N Any difficulty eating
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				959			1 Yes
				16,731			2 No
				90			3 Doesn't Do

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HPPDCHAR	273	2	ADL2FMT		HS31d	C30(4)	N Any difficulty get in/out of bed/chair
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				3,116			1 Yes
				14,483			2 No
				182			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDWALK	275	2	ADL2FMT		HS31e	C30(5)	N Any difficulty walking
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				4,761			1 Yes
				12,444			2 No
				573			3 Doesn't Do
HPPDTOIL	277	2	ADL2FMT		HS31f	C30(6)	N Any difficulty using the toilet
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				3			-8 Don't know
				1			-7 Refused
				1,704			1 Yes
				15,857			2 No
				218			3 Doesn't Do
DONTBATH	279	2	YES1FMT		HS31aa	C30a(1)	N Don't bathe/shower b/c health prob
				17,559			. Inapplicable
				223			1 Yes
				4			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 3 First available in 1992				
DONTDRES	281	2	YES1FMT		HS31ba	C30a(2)	N Don't dress b/c health prob
				17,602			. Inapplicable
				183			1 Yes
				1			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 3 First available in 1992				
DONTEAT	283	2	YES1FMT		HS31ca	C30a(3)	N Don't eat b/c health prob
				17,696			. Inapplicable
				90			1 Yes
				0			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 3 First available in 1992				
DONTCHAR	285	2	YES1FMT		HS31da	C30a(4)	N Don't get in/out bed/chair b/c hlth prob
				17,604			. Inapplicable
				182			1 Yes
				0			2 No
			Notes: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 3 First available in 1992				

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DONTWALK	287	2	YES1FMT		HS31ea	C30a(5)	N Don't walk b/c health prob
				17,213			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				564			1 Yes
				8			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDWALK = 3			
				First available in 1992			
DONTTOIL	289	2	YES1FMT		HS31fa	C30a(6)	N Don't use toilet b/c health prob
				17,568			. Inapplicable
				1			-9 Not ascertained
				217			1 Yes
				0			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HPPDTOIL = 3			
				First available in 1992			
HELPPATH	291	2	YES1FMT		HS32a	C31(1)	N Receives help w/ bathing/showering
				14,382			. Inapplicable
				4			-9 Not ascertained
				2,388			1 Yes
				1,012			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 1 or DONTBATH = 1			
HELPDRES	293	2	YES1FMT		HS32b	C31(2)	N Receives help w/ dressing
				15,332			. Inapplicable
				3			-9 Not ascertained
				1,918			1 Yes
				533			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 1 or DONTDRES = 1			
HELPEAT	295	2	YES1FMT		HS32c	C31(3)	N Receives help w/ eating
				16,737			. Inapplicable
				5			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				678			1 Yes
				365			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 1 or DONTEAT = 1			
HELPCCHAR	297	2	YES1FMT		HS32d	C31(4)	N Receives help w/ get in/out of bed/chair
				14,488			. Inapplicable
				10			-9 Not ascertained
				1			-8 Don't know
				1,490			1 Yes
				1,797			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 1 or DONTCHAR = 1			

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Note: Applies only if `HELPCHAR = 2`

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PCHKWALK	311	2	YES1FMT		HS33e	C23(5)	N Person nearby while walking
				13,915			. Inapplicable
				57			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				448			1 Yes
				3,364			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPWALK = 2			
PCHKTOIL	313	2	YES1FMT		HS33f	C23(6)	N Person nearby while using toilet
				16,968			. Inapplicable
				30			-9 Not ascertained
				121			1 Yes
				667			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HELPTOIL = 2			
EQIPBATH	315	2	YES1FMT		HS34a	C33(1)	N Use equipment to help bathe/shower
				14,382			. Inapplicable
				10			-9 Not ascertained
				4			-8 Don't know
				1,833			1 Yes
				1,557			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDBATH = 1 or DONTBATH = 1			
EQIPDRES	317	2	YES1FMT		HS34b	C33(2)	N Use equipment to help dress
				15,332			. Inapplicable
				10			-9 Not ascertained
				224			1 Yes
				2,220			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDDRES = 1 or DONTDRES = 1			
EQIPEAT	319	2	YES1FMT		HS34c	C33(3)	N Use equipment to help eat
				16,737			. Inapplicable
				12			-9 Not ascertained
				199			1 Yes
				838			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDEAT = 1 or DONTEAT = 1			
EQIPCHAR	321	2	YES1FMT		HS34d	C33(4)	N Use equipment to get in/out bed/chair
				14,488			. Inapplicable
				18			-9 Not ascertained
				2			-8 Don't know
				1,422			1 Yes
				1,856			2 No
				Note: Applies only if HPPDCHAR = 1 or DONTCHAR = 1			

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Note: See Notes for derivation

C Date of birth of primary helper

Note: See Notes for derivation

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Note: First available in 1996

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TROBCONC	367	3	YES2FMT		HS36c		N SP has trouble concentrating
				1,277			. Missing
				2			-9 Not ascertained
				24			-8 Don't know
				2,658			1 Yes
				13,825			2 No

Note: First available in 1996

LOSTURIN	370	2	URIFMT		HS37	C34	N How often lost urine control last 12 mos
				11			-9 Not ascertained
				75			-8 Don't know
				8			-7 Refused
				1,879			1 More than once a week
				450			2 About once a week
				382			3 2-3 times a month
				316			4 About once a month
				281			5 Every 2-3 months
				566			6 1-2 Times a year
				13,632			7 Not at all
				186			8 Dialysis/catheterized